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THE REFTEL REPORTED IN DETAIL ON THE DEFENSE SECRETARIAT'S
FORCEFUL DENIAL THAT THE SOVIETS HAVE RECENTLY INCREASED
AND SOLIDIFIED THEIR PRESENCE AT THE TIVAT SHIPYARDS.

WE SUSPECT THAT THE YUGOSLAVS HAD MORE IN MIND THAN
JUST ALLAYING WESTERN FEARS OF A GRADUAL SOVIET
ENCROACHMENT. STUNG BY THE US DEMARCHE ON SOVIET
OVERFLIGHTS TO ANGOLA, THE GOY APPARENTLY SOUGHT TO
SEPARATE AND CATEGORICALLY DENY THE TIVAT RUMORS TO
PREVENT THEIR BEING LUMPED WITH THE CHARGES ABOUT THE
SOVIET AIRLIFT, AND TO REBUT IMPLICATION THAT YUGOSLAV
ACCOMMODATIONS OF SOVIET DESIGNS ON SEVERAL ISSUES
REPRESENTS ACCOMMODATION TO SOVIET PRESSURE.

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